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September 19, 2001

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 77 W. Jackson Blvd. - SR6J, Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Attn: Deena Sheppard -Johnson, Enforcement Specialist

Re: Chemcial Recovery Systems ("CRS")

Dear Ms. Shepard-Johnson:

Pursuant to discussions I have had with Tom Nash, I am forwarding an Affidavit of Fredrick Soble who is the President of Ohio Soap Products Company. Ohio Soap has searched their records and does not have anything that goes back to the time in questions for CRS. However, Mr. Soble's Affidavit states that the only transactions with CRS relate to isolated purchases of reclaimed solvent.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions regarding the enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Robert U. Fein

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STATE OF OHIO SS AFFIDAVIT OF FREDRICK SOBLE COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA)

- I, FREDRICK SOBLE, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that:
- 1. I am the President and majority shareholder of Ohio Soap Products Company, an Ohio corporation (the "Company").
 - 2. In 1978, I served as Vice President of the Company.
- 3. The Company does not maintain business records of any kind for any time period prior to 1990.
- 4. To the best of my knowledge, I recall that limited business was conducted between the Company and Chemical Recovery Systems located in Elyria, Ohio. This business was limited to isolated purchases of reclaimed solvent from Chemical Recovery Systems.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

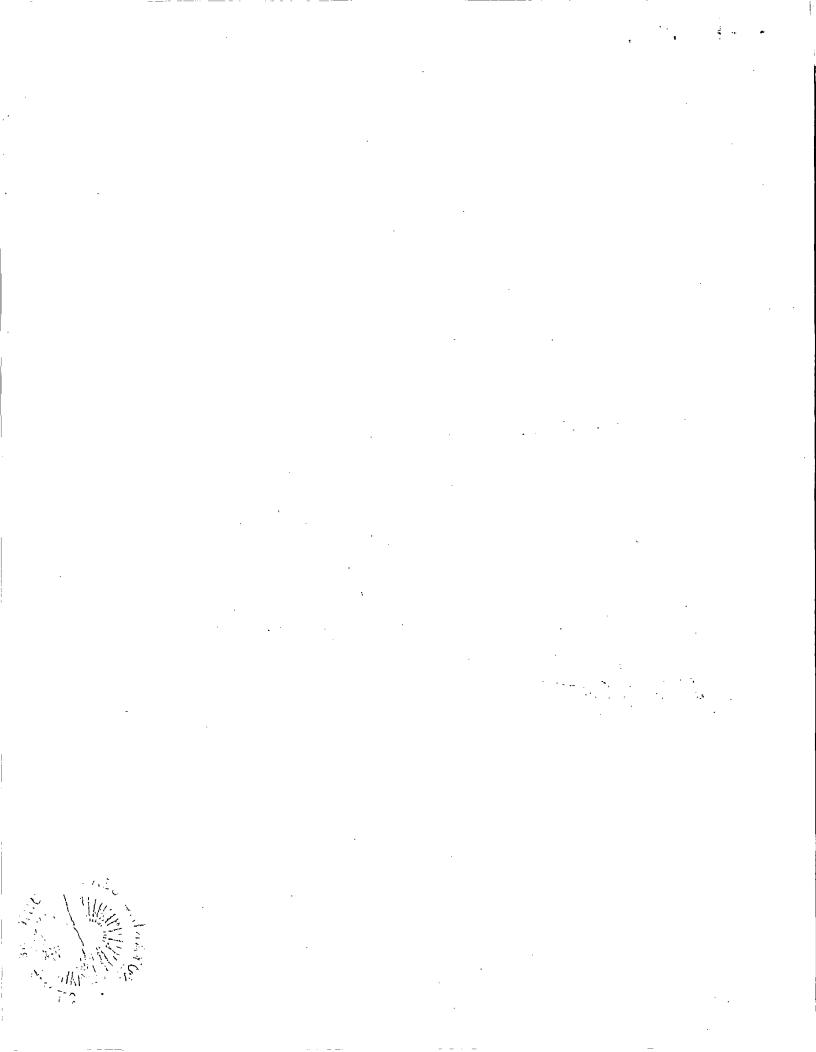
29th day of August

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of:

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the above-mentioned Fredrick Soble who acknowledge and swore to the foregoing Affidavit as his free act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Cleveland, Ohio this 29th day of Argust, 2001.

Notary Public Robert U. Fein



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